We enjoy a fun-filled summer event where there is something for our entire family. My son is gay. I love the **positive energy** and excitement that comes from the celebration of diversity and our common humanity. I have two mommies. My next-door neighbor is fighting the war in Iraq, and her girlfriend and their children have no benefits if she gets hurt. I am bisexual. My dentist has a wonderful boyfriend who cuts my hair, and our children are best friends. I think I might be gay. No one puts on a better performance than drag queens; we wait all year for their show! My sister is a lesbian. Two students in my 8th grade English class are GLBT; I feel I must do something to **ensure their safety and well-being.** My father is transgender. I've just "come out of the closet", and I love the feeling of being able to be myself! My doctor is gay. The woman who answered my 911 call has a girlfriend of ten years to whom she cannot marry. I love to party! My partner and I have been **together for 23 years,** we celebrate that here among our community. My pastor is a lesbian. I have to show off my new outfit; it's simply fabulous! I am a democrat. My wife and I believe in equal rights for everyone, period. **I am a Christian.** The gays sure know how to have a good time, our crew never misses it! I am a city councilman. I was discharged from the military after 17 years because **I would not lie.** I am a republican. My church believes that the Bible preaches love for everyone. My nephew is gay. I am a black, gay, woman; you better believe I'm here. I stand for equality. It's important to honor the people from the Stonewall riots, and to continue to make visible our struggle for equality. I like the bands. **My best friend** is gay and we're like brothers; I'm here for him. I am 87 years old. My family is originally from the Middle East and we've also experienced oppression. I am 17. This city needs to pass a **nondiscrimination** policy that includes sexual orientation and gender expression. **I am an American.** PrideFest has awesome food, great performers and there's really something for everyone! I am human. I am gay!

OUT **PROUD** **EQUAL**

Welcome to Colorado Springs PrideFest 2005!

Celebrating our 15th Annual PrideFest & Parade, Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center joins thousands of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and our friends & families - Have Fun, Get Involved, Experience Pride!

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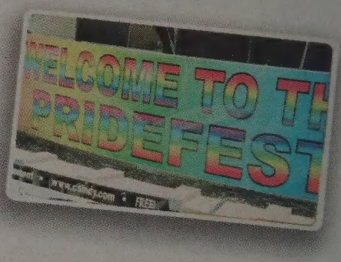
EVENTS

Colorado Springs PrideFest Weekend!

Friday, July 15th

2nd ANNUAL MARRIAGE RIGHTS DEMONSTRATION
12:00 noon
Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center plans to continue to document and bring to light the inequalities and hypocrisy of current marriage laws. Community welcome to join in support of this small-scale, peaceful action. 200 S. Cascade Ave. *El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's Office.*

PARTIES AROUND TOWN (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)
All Night
Bijou Bar & Grill 2510 E. Bijou
(719) 473-5718
www.clubqonline.com
Club Q 3430 N. Academy
(719) 570-1429
www.bijoubar.com



Saturday, July 16th

PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS - WORKSHOP FOR SAME-SEX COUPLES
Lawyers and notaries present. Wills, probate, adoption, etc. Your questions answered! 1101 S. 21st Street (719) 634-3771

ICE CREAM SOCIAL
4:00p-6:00p
Free Ice Cream! Everyone Welcome! Join the crowd! Splurge! 716 1/2 N Tejon—The Pride Center (719) 471-4429 Sponsored by *Pikes Peak Gay & Lesbian Community Center's 2005 PrideFest Committee*

MR., MRS., MISS GAY PRIDE PAGEANT AND PRE-PRIDE PARTY!
Welcome Mr., Mrs. and Miss GAY PRIDE! Be a part of the fun and excitement! Visit www.ucppe.org for location, time and full details! Presented by the *United Court of the Pikes Peak Empire*!

Sunday, July 17th

COLORADO SPRINGS 15th ANNUAL PRIDEFEST & PARADE

9:00-10:00 Interfaith Celebration of Pride

10:00-11:00 2nd Annual GLBT Wedding in the Park & Anniversary Party Presented by *Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church*

11:00-12:00 Parade Line-Up: Everyone Welcome to March

12:00-1:00 Colorado Springs PrideFest Parade
Grand Marshall Honor Goes To: *Sponge Bob!*
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1:00-4:30
Music Featuring:
Arch Hooks, Misty O'Dell, Club Q Queens, Mr., Mrs., Miss Gay Pride, United Court of the Pikes Peak Empire, Jersey Dangerous Addiction, Boy Toys, and More!!!

4:30-6:00
DJ Bounce Presents - All Ages Dance Party

ALL DAY Kid's Fun Zone, Beer Garden, Fabulous Vendors, Food & Drink!